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PRODUCING SPHERICAL
COMPOSITE COMPOSITION

) MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

) Group Art Unit: 1713

) Examiner: Karuna P Reddy

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To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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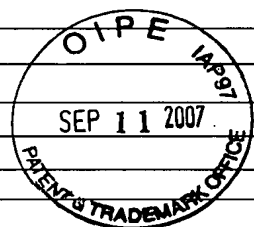
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